

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

## **Hispanic Contribution Day**

WHEREAS, Rhode Island recognizes the important contributions of its Hispanic communities and citizens; and

WHEREAS, the state of Rhode Island wishes to promote inclusion in its richly diverse communities and promote better communication, along with a spirit of cooperation among its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the state wishes to promote understanding and foster an appreciation for the contribution of the Hispanic community & language in our communities, and

WHEREAS, individuals, cities, universities, business and civic-minded groups across the state will be showing their respect for the Hispanic community by sharing their contributions and culture on this day; and

WHEREAS, the state extends a salute to citizens who choose to get involved and support the development of this community; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee,** Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2011 as Hispanic Contribution Day in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all state residents to recognize the importance of this day.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this \_/5\_7 tlay of September, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafe Governor

A. Ralph Mollis Secretary of State